

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOME AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA**

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:3506
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TERRORISTS OPERATION IN J & K
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Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the Commander-in-Chief of A1 Badr has admitted that terrorists from seven countries are currently operating in Jammu & Kashmir;
- (b) if so, the details in this regard;
- (c) the steps taken by the Union Government to deal with the situation;
- (d) whether the Government have discussed the matter with those seven countries; and
- (e) if so, the outcome thereof?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (CH. VIDYASAGAR RAO)

- (a) & (b): No such reports are available. However, foreign, mercenaries belonging to various countries are involved in terrorist activities in J&K. A number of Pakistani/PoK and Afghan etc. nationals have been killed in anti-terrorist operations in J&K.
- (c) to (d): The Government has been adopting a comprehensive approach to curb terrorism and check infiltration in J&K which includes, inter alia, strengthening the border management, appropriate security actions in the hinterland, gearing up the intelligence machinery, improved technology, weapons, equipments for security forces, greater functional integration through a framework of Operation Groups and Intelligence Groups at the UHQ and lower levels, etc.